



Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks

Citizen Workgroup - Meeting 5

Developing Alternatives for Updating the Upper Missouri River Reservoir Fisheries Management Plan (UMRRFMP)

May 4, 2009

8:00 AM - Late Afternoon (*lunch provided*)

MACo Conference Room

Public Comment Period – 12:10 – 12:30 PM

PROCESS OBJECTIVES

1. In 6-8 meetings, explore aspects of a fisheries Management Plan for Holter, Hauser, and Canyon Ferry Reservoirs.
2. Within the Work Group's charter, develop consensus alternatives and recommend those alternatives to FWP.

SESSION OBJECTIVES

1. Affirm the Collaborative Framework.
2. Review and agree on the structure of a Draft Management Plan and the parts of the current Plan that will be included. Identify "missing" pieces and agree on how to include them in the process.
3. Begin work and move ahead on alternatives regarding the "Important Questions".

AGENDA STRUCTURE

Introduction

- Who's here and why?
- "Ratifying" the April meeting summary including affirming the Collaborative Framework

Getting right to work

- Reviewing and coming to tentative agreement on the structure of a Draft Management Plan
- Collectively identifying parts of the Plan that don't have to change/that should be included
- Identifying "issues" we missed and need to be addressed
- Suggestions to FWP as they proceed with "boilerplate", etc.
- Rechecking the Collaborative Framework – Do we need to add anything?

Moving ahead

- From broad goals to specific objectives
- Starting to develop reasoned, "legitimate" alternatives

Where do we go from here?

GROUND RULES/PROCESS AGREEMENTS

Meeting Attendance

- Attendance is basically "mandatory" for the best interest of the process and Group's outcomes. Acknowledging there are emergencies, Workgroup members will contact Beth or Ginny prior to missing a session.
- Members will not use substitutes or proxies if missing a meeting.

COMMUNICATION

- Members are requested to raise hands to be recognized by the facilitator.
- To support civility and courtesy, allow the other to finish without interrupting.
- Members are asked to manage their own communication – style, length of time, body language, no vulgar language, no name-calling, etc.
- The Facilitator will help manage the length of time of the person speaking.

PROCESS TO ENCOURAGE COMING TO AGREEMENT

- Members are asked to describe the issue they are bringing to the table. Full Group discussion will follow, monitored by the Facilitator. The Group will decide how far to take the issue, the disposition of the issue, etc.
- Members will aim for 100% agreement and work hard to get there. At points in the discussion, the Facilitator may ask for a relative showing of support for the item at hand to determine the level of majority and minority. She will use an interest-based approach to help the group increase the majority. When the Facilitator feels that all attempts have been made to solve the minority's issues, she has permission to:
 - Ask the Group to table the issue for later discussion or;
 - Move the group to agreement – one way or another - if there is a super majority (80%/20%) of those present.

MEDIA

- Eric (FWP) will be responsible for relaying information from the Workgroup to the media. Members approached by the media will direct the media to Eric.
- It is recognized that Members will report back to their constituents.
- Individual members are asked to couch their comments as personal opinion and not the view of the Group.